

180,000 PRISONERS CAPTURED ON ISONZO

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Reichstag Leaders Reject Von Hertling As Imperial German Chancellor

RAISE WALL OF STEEL AGAINST ENEMY ON THE ITALIAN FRONT

30 'Planes Make Raid On England

Invaders Soar Over British Coast in Seven Groups—Only Three Machine Penetrate to Heart of London—Eight Killed and 21 Injured.

London, Nov. 1.—Eight persons were killed and 21 were injured in the German air raid last night, according to an official statement today by the British war department.

About 30 aeroplanes, in seven groups, took part in last night's air raid. Three of them penetrated to the heart of London. The casualties and damage were slight.

A report from Lord French, commander of the home defenses, respecting last night's air raid, says the German aviators took advantage of the clouds to prevent any decisive engagement.

The first group of raiders dropped bombs near the coast. Two more groups were broken up by a barrage on the southeastern outskirts of the metropolis. The fourth group was turned back up the Thames half way to London.

Of the fifth group one or more aeroplanes penetrated southeastern London. Some of the sixth group reached the southeastern part of the city. The seventh group was dispersed before it reached the outer defenses of the city.

Protests to Germany on Sub Warfare

London, Nov. 1.—An Exchange Telegraph Co. dispatch from Copenhagen says Norway has presented a note to Germany in connection with the sinking of Norwegian steamers in a convoy of neutral merchantmen which was attacked by German cruisers in the North sea last month. The note calls attention to the fact that a year ago, after the sinking of Norwegian steamers in the Polar seas, Germany was notified that the Norwegian people would regard any new case of the kind as a violation of the laws of humanity.

Reuter's correspondent in Christiania telegraphs the text of the concluding sentences of the Norwegian note, as follows: "It has made a profound impression on the Norwegian people that not only have German submarines continued to sink peaceful neutral merchant ships, paying no attention to the fate of their crews, but that even German warships adopted the same tactics. The Norwegian government decided to send this note in order to bring to the attention of the German government the impression these acts have made upon the Norwegian people."

DRAFT BOARD'S ERROR SERIOUS

Through an error made by the sixth division local board, Aquin Johnson was taken from his machine in the Remington Arms plant yesterday when he failed to report for examination. At police headquarters the matter was thrashed out before Assistant Superintendent Charles H. Buckley and Johnson was released. He will go with the next increment. Board members admitted they were in error.

TO MAKE BRAZIL THE GRANARY OF ALLIED NATIONS

Rio Janeiro, Nov. 1.—President Brazil in a circular addressed to the presidents of the various states of Brazil, declares that Brazil faces without faltering the sacrifices she will be called upon to make because of her entrance to the war. The president urges:

1. Keeping down expenditures as well as in increasing agricultural production in order that Brazil may become the granary of the Allies.

MRS. FRIZELL'S HUSBAND HAILS HER INTO COURT

Infidelity with persons unknown is the charge which Charles R. Frizell of Norwalk, a member of a wealthy family, alleges in a suit for divorce which he has filed in the superior court against Elizabeth Roberts Frizell.

The affairs of the Frizells attracted considerable attention last spring when Mrs. Frizell brought a suit against her husband's parents, alleging alienation of affection. All are prominent socially in Norwalk, and the suit last spring attracted considerable attention.

The complaint filed today alleges that Mrs. Frizell has been guilty of infidelity in New York on numerous occasions and with persons unknown to the plaintiff.

The couple married in Nashville, Tenn. July 25, 1912, the bride being Mrs. Claude Merry. Her home was in Louisville, where she was a member of a prominent family. Although Mrs. Frizell has been twice married she is still very young, and also very attractive.

TORPEDOED U. S. TRANSPORT ABLE TO REACH PORT

Washington, Nov. 1.—The transport Finland was recently torpedoed while returning to the United States, but was able to return to a foreign port under her own steam.

The navy department received a report of the attack and Secretary Daniels authorized its publication. The navy report does not say whether there was any loss of life or injury on the Finland.

This official announcement was authorized: "The navy department has received dispatches stating that the transport Finland was torpedoed while returning from foreign waters. The damage to the ship was slight and she returned to port under her own steam. The Finland was under escort, but no sign of the torpedo or the submarine was seen."

LABOR LEADER APPOINTED TO PRUSSIAN DIET

Amsterdam, Nov. 1.—Adam Stegerwald, general secretary of the Christian Trade unions, has been appointed a life member of the first chamber of the Prussian diet. This is the first time that a representative of organized labor enters the upper house and is commented on by German newspapers as one of the first steps in the reform of that assembly.

It is believed that the honor conferred on Stegerwald is due largely to his speech at the congress of Christian Trade unions, in which he denounced American attempts to sow discord between the emperor and the people. Herr Stegerwald said: "Let us tell the gentleman in Washington that we went to war by the side of the kaiser and the princes and that we will return side by side with them."

The emperor sent a message to the congress thanking it for its expressions of loyalty.

HOUSEWIVES IN THIS CITY ARE BEING FLEEDED

Bunco Steerers Under Guise of Food Administration Are Invigling Many Women Into Giving Up a Portion of Their Canned Goods—Officials State That the Scheme is Bearing Rich Profits.

Posing as government agents employed in the food conservation program several persons are going about the city demanding in the name of the government that housewives turn over to them for government purposes a portion of any canned goods they may have in their homes. The scheme according to officials of the food administration is a rich one as a great percentage of housewives in the city and state made special effort to preserve a great quantity of fruit and vegetables.

The latest device was disclosed to the local committee by a telegram received by Mrs. H. W. Fleck last evening from Robert Scoville, Federal Food Administrator for Connecticut. It follows:

"Information received an attempt is being made by persons posing as government inspectors to enter houses and demand a certain percentage of canned goods to be delivered to the government. That is of course a fraud and any person attempting this should be arrested for theft."

This scheme has been tried out in other cities of the state and the words of the Food Commissioner should serve as a warning to put the householders of Bridgeport on their guard.

According to the fact that 60,000 of the window cards, which show that the family displaying one of them has signed the food pledge have been lost in transportation, every one who signs and does not receive a card will have one mailed directly to the home from Hartford. Many people who have signed are not showing their colors by displaying these cards and it is urged by the committee that these cards be placed in the windows in a prominent position so that the public can see who has signed and who has not.

STONE ALLOWED FREEDOM AFTER INVESTIGATION

Investigation of charges of misrepresentation made against J. E. Stone of New York, for selling stock disclosed that there was no evidence such a misrepresentation had been made, and the charges against him were nulled on recommendation of the detective bureau today. Stone was arrested last night on complaint of the Bridgeport office of the All Package Grocery Co., whose stock he was selling.

It developed that Stone sold some of the stock without the consent of the Bridgeport agency, but it was not proved he represented himself as an agent of the company or one of its officers which was the reason for his arrest.

Attorney F. E. Morgan, attorney for the company said today that he was satisfied to let the entire matter drop.

Stone sold 400 shares of the common stock of the company for \$200 to a woman in this city. The par value of the stock is said to be \$10 and the selling price by the authorized agents \$250 a share, but this is said to be for the preferred stock. It is not known where Stone procured the stock he sold.

CONNECTICUT BOY DIES IN FRANCE, PERSHING REPORT

Washington, Nov. 1.—Gen. Pershing today reported the death of Private Joseph E. Couture, in France, on Oct. 26, of pneumonia. His mother is Emily C. Couture, 29 Hammond street, Burnside, Conn.

THE WEATHER.

Connecticut—Generally fair tonight and Friday; gentle to moderate west winds.

20 DRAFTED BOYS GO TO AYER CAMP

Authorities Are Rounding Up Five Men Who Were Called For Examination and Were to Have Left This Morning With Departing Quota; Polish Recruits Take Leave of Friends.

A scene typical of that of Sept. 20 was enacted at the railroad station today when friends and relatives of 18 drafted men went and cheered as they boarded a train for Camp Devens, at Ayer, Mass., where they will take the places of Fifth division men rejected for physical disability.

The new Bridgeport members of the new national army are: Garret Jones, Nathan Halperin, James Perrone, Louis Vichio, Charles Ricco, Stephen Andrie, Murray Caplan, Frank Polosky, Percy Carragher, John Mense, Albert Dawler, Morris Reich, William Caplan, Roy Gokey, William Lamb, Jr., Louis Rideman, Joseph Schwartzkopf and Mike Aiello.

Five men of the Fifth division who were called for examination, but who failed to report have been rounded up and will be sent to Camp Devens tomorrow. They are George Mandell, James W. Farrell, Walter Montague, Harry Cahakov and Thomas Casey.

Ten more young men of Polish parentage, volunteers, were also given a send-off today. They were escorted to the station by more than 100 friends and relatives and a farewell speech was given by Anthony S. Ambrose, president and treasurer of the Connecticut Canvass Co. Among the volunteers was Clayton G. Ambrose, second son of Ambrose in the United States service. The volunteers were greeted at the Grand Central station by officers of the French army.

Besides Ambrose the volunteers include Felix Lavicka, Andrew Cik, Paul Stith, M. J. Gindwich, John S. Drank, Joseph Bartos, Joseph Melleg, Rudolph Krupa, John Dohansky and John Siska. The latter is a reserve and will go in event one of the others is rejected. The men went to a training camp at Niagara, N. Y.

HARMONY ADDS NEW STRENGTH TO KIRK TICKET

With the Republican machine on the defensive and struggling to regain much lost ground, reports from all districts today indicate that Kirk's strength is growing minutely. Democratic leaders in conference with several independent voters at Democratic headquarters today predicted a plurality of 1,500 for Kirk.

Large attendances at the rallies greatly encourage the candidates, who have been enthusiastically received in every district. Among the applauders many Republicans and independent voters are found, while at the Republican rallies it is seldom that voters other than members of the Republican district clubs are in the halls.

Attorney George F. Mara, district organizer, reports that a perfect organization is practically in shape and that all workers are working diligently all over the city. The West End forces are proceeding without the services of their leader, Daniel E. Walker, who, it is reported, is suffering from double pneumonia.

REPRIEVE FOR MRS. GILLIGAN

Hartford, Nov. 1.—Benedict M. Holden, counsel for Mrs. Amy E. Archer-Gilligan, addressed a letter to Gov. Holcomb today, calling the attention of the governor to the case of the condemned woman, who has not been reprieved from death, although the date set for her execution is but five days away and notice of appeal has been filed and reasons for asking for a finding also have been filed some weeks ago.

The governor said this afternoon that he would grant a reprieve. Mr. Holden said it was Judge Gardner Greenes' next move.

Berlin Reports Capture of 60,000 More Italians East of the Lower Tagliamento—1,500 Guns Taken—Reports From Italian Headquarters Indicate Orderly Retreat of Gigantic Army of 1,000,000

Berlin, Nov. 1, via London—The Austro-German forces invading Italy have increased the number of prisoners taken to more than 180,000. They have captured 1,500 Italian guns. The foregoing information was officially announced today by the German war office.

The Austro-Germans penetrated the rear guard positions of the Italians to the east of the lower Tagliamento, where they cut off and captured 60,000 Italians.

London, Nov. 1.—Count George Von Hertling has been rejected as imperial chancellor by the Reichstag majority leaders, according to special dispatches from Amsterdam, which construe this as a rebuff to the emperor and a victory for Parliamentarism. The messages, however, apparently were written before the German wireless statement was sent out yesterday announcing that Von Hertling had been offered the place and was consulting with Reichstag leaders.

Italian Headquarters in Northern Italy, Wednesday, Oct. 31.—Premier Lloyd-George has said that the horrors of a Zeppelin raid received much attention, whereas in their relative importance to vast sections of London remaining untouched they are insignificant. Exactly the same conditions exist here, for while the horrors of the recent experience stand out boldly to those who went through it, this is offset by the magnitude of the beneficial military and strategic results accomplished.

Exactly what these are cannot even be hinted at for the present, but the main fact is that another line of defense, drawn in the face of overwhelming odds and has come out of the ordeal scarred but still intact and with colors flying.

Italian Headquarters, Wednesday, Oct. 31.—(By the Associated Press)—As the bulletins of Gen. Cadorna indicate, the Italian troops, perfectly reorganized, are holding back the enemy at a distance of seven miles west of Udine.

The Germans and Austrians did not succeed in their prearranged plan of rushing beyond the Isonzo into the Friuli valley and enveloping the Third Italian army. The enemy occupied the region of Gorizia and the Carso. Although they broke the Italian line from Piacenza to Tolmino the resistance offered by picked Italian contingents who offered themselves for the supreme sacrifice, so delayed the southward advance that the enemy will reach the outer world in exaggerated form, whereas the outstanding fact is that a huge army has been withdrawn in the face of overwhelming odds and has come out of the ordeal scarred but still intact and with colors flying.

NO URGENCY; NO EMERGENCY.

I asked Mayor Wilson to tell the public why he broke his pledge not to let public contracts without competitive bidding; the pledge in which he said he would never give his waiver except in cases of urgency or of emergency. Mayor Wilson replies that he gave his waivers for a million and a half dollars of Warrenite contracts, because Warrenite is a "patented" pavement. This is his sole excuse. He does not claim that there was an urgency or an emergency. His defense is an admission that he did not keep his pledges.

What is the value of the defense that Warrenite is a patented pavement? This pavement is a composition of stone and asphalt, which can be laid by any contractor who knows his business. New Haven has laid many miles at 84 cents a square yard. The highway commissioner stopped laying Warrenite except when it could win in competition and has put down miles of asphalt and stone highways.

Warrenite made its appearance in New York state under conditions very similar to those that appear in Bridgeport. Following an investigation of highway conditions in that state, the legislature passed a law declaring it against public policy for any official employed by the public to buy any sort of patented pavement, except it should win in a fair competition with other pavements. The patented pavement is an excuse behind which public servants may shelter themselves from the anger of the taxpayers.

The voters must judge whether the plea that Warrenite is a patented pavement is a justification for the waivers Mayor Wilson gave when there was no urgency and no emergency.

W. P. KIRK.